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June 6, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AMENDMENTS TO BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICTS' REPORTS TO ALLOW LOANS BETWEEN BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICTS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve the enclosed amendments to the Valencia, Bouquet Canyon, Lyons Avenue/McBean Parkway, Castaic, and Eastside Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Construction Fee Districts' Reports to allow for loans between these Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Construction Fee Districts.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to amend the Valencia, Bouquet Canyon, Lyons Avenue/McBean Parkway, Castaic, and Eastside Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Construction Fee Districts' Reports to allow for loans between these Districts.

Each District has its own approved Report. The purpose of these Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Construction Fee (B&T) Districts is to assist in financing construction of the proposed improvements described in their respective District Reports. The construction of new bridges and major thoroughfares and additions to existing facilities funded by the Districts will provide mitigation for the traffic impacts from new development.

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The Valencia, Bouquet Canyon, and Eastside B&T Districts are jointly administered by the County and the City of Santa Clarita. Cooperative Agreements with the City for each of the jointly administered Districts were approved as follows: Valencia District, May 1, 1990, Bouquet Canyon and Eastside (formerly Route 126) Districts, July 30, 1991. Currently, provisions in the Districts' Reports for the three jointly administered Districts prohibit the loan of County District funds outside of each respective District. Loans are currently allowed in the City portions of the Eastside and Bouquet Canyon B&T Districts. The Lyons Avenue/McBean Parkway and Castaic B&T Districts' Reports do not have provisions regarding loans. The ability to loan B&T District funds for priority highway projects in the unincorporated Santa Clarita Valley will enable the County to move forward with construction of high-priority projects on an expedited basis.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as these developer fees provide sufficient funds to continue constructing our roadways in an effective manner. It also satisfies the goal of Service Excellence by constructing new roads to provide traffic mitigation thereby improving the quality of life in the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

No fiscal impact to the General Fund. Financial impact to other funds may depend on the loan guarantee source and loaning B&T District and will be identified when a loan Resolution is brought to your Board for approval.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Your Board adopted the Bouquet Canyon and Eastside B&T Districts on October 21, 1985, and July 21, 1987, respectively. Updates for both Districts were approved by your Board on June 25, 2002. On December 29, 1987, your Board adopted the Lyons Avenue/McBean Parkway B&T District, and an update for the District was approved by your Board on May 12, 1998. On March 26, 1992, your Board adopted the Castaic B&T District. On July 27, 1999, your Board adopted the Valencia B&T District.

The proposed amendments only apply to the County-administered portion of the B&T funds within each District. Upon adoption of this Board letter and its amendments, any District fees paid by development projects within the County portion of the District may be loaned to other Districts for projects in the County unincorporated areas. Any proposed loan will require a Resolution approved by your Board.

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The proposed amendments pertain to government funding mechanisms and fiscal activities that do not involve any commitment to any specific project, which may result in a potential significant physical impact on the environment, and are, therefore, not projects that are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act. See Sections 15060(c)(3) and 15378 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (State California Environmental Quality Act guidelines).

IMPACT OF CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of these amendments will result in no impact on current services.

CONCLUSION

Please return three adopted copies of this Board letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE/ Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel

AMENDMENT TO REPORT ON THE BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICT FOR VALENCIA TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND LOANS BETWEEN BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICTS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY

Provision IV.I., paragraph 1, page 19, of the Valencia B&T District Report dated June 1999 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The ultimate use of fees collected from development projects within the District is restricted to the construction of District-identified improvements. However, any District fees paid by development projects within the County portion of the District may be loaned to other Districts to be used within the County unincorporated areas. The loans may be used provided that they are properly recorded by a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. The Resolution must identify the method and source of repayment. This provision only applies to the County of Los Angeles portion of the B&T funds within each District."

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AMENDMENT TO REPORT ON THE BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICT FOR BOUQUET CANYON TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND LOANS BETWEEN BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICTS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY

Provision IV.J., paragraph 4, page 19 (under Los Angeles County), of the Bouquet Canyon B&T District Update Report dated May 2002 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Any District fees paid by development projects within the County portion of the District may be loaned to other Districts to be used within the County unincorporated areas. The loans may be used provided that loans are properly recorded by a Resolution approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Resolution must identify the method and source of repayment. This provision only applies to the County of Los Angeles portion of the B&T funds within each District."

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AMENDMENT TO REPORT ON THE EASTSIDE BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND LOANS BETWEEN BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY

Provision IV.J., paragraph 4, page 20 (under Los Angeles County), of the Eastside B&T District Update Report dated May 2002 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Any District fees paid by development projects within the County portion of the District may be loaned to other Districts to be used within the County unincorporated areas. The loans may be used provided that loans are properly recorded by a Resolution approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Resolution must identify the method and source of repayment. This provision only applies to the County of Los Angeles portion of the B&T funds within each District."

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AMENDMENT TO REPORT ON THE CASTAIC BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND LOANS BETWEEN BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY

Provision VI.F., new paragraph 7, page 12 (under The Construction Fee), of the Castaic B&T District Report dated October 1991 is hereby added to read as follows:

"Any District fees paid by development projects within the District may be loaned to other Districts to be used within the County unincorporated areas. The loans may be used provided that loans are properly recorded by a Resolution approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Resolution must identify the method and source of repayment."

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AMENDMENT TO REPORT ON THE LYONS AVENUE/MCBEAN PARKWAY BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND LOANS BETWEEN BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE DISTRICTS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY

Provision V.F., new paragraph 6, page 7 (under The Construction Fee), of the Lyons Avenue/McBean Parkway District Report dated November 6, 1987, is hereby added to read as follows:

"Any District fees paid by development projects within the District may be loaned to other Districts to be used within the County unincorporated areas. The loans may be used provided that loans are properly recorded by a Resolution approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Resolution must identify the method and source of repayment."

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